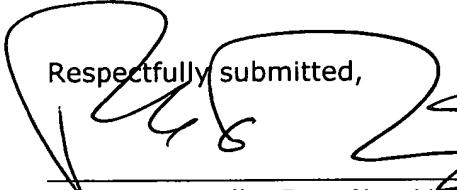


Remarks/Arguments:

The Office Action indicates that claims 36-39 and 88-100 are pending in the application. Claims 36-39 and 88-99 are allowed. Claim 100 is rejected. With this amendment, claim 100 has been canceled; therefore, the rejection of claim 100 is moot.

In view of the amendment set forth above, Applicants submit that the remaining pending claims in the above-identified application, namely claims 36-39 and 88-99, are in condition for allowance. Notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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